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To: Henning, Alan; Rueda, Helen; Carlin, Jayne; Turvey, Martha; Schary, Claire
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Subject: FW: R10 thoughts or reactions to Fresh Water Trust Proposal to Ag Advisor Sarah Bittleman
Attachments: USDA EPA Demonstration Project Summary.pdf

FYI re: proposal between Freshwater Trust and USDA on NPS reductions in ag. Dick Pedersen and Bob Whitworth of Freshwater Trust are talking to Nancy Stoner and other higher ups in HQ about this tomorrow morning. Christine and Dave are listening in so they can hear if there's any crossover on CZARA ag.

From: Psyk, Christine
Sent: Wednesday, January 29, 2014 2:05 PM
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FYI—Some background on a portion of what may be discussed tomorrow.

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From: Rose, Bob
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2014 5:54 AM
To: Psyk, Christine
Subject: R10 thoughts or reactions to Fresh Water Trust Proposal to Ag Advisor Sarah Bittleman

Christine:

Hello. Ellen Gilinsky and I will be in a meeting later today, Tuesday, in which ag advisor Sarah Bittleman will hear a proposal from Fresh Water Trust, see attached. We received this late yesterday afternoon. The proposal is for Willamette basin, and pasted the summary below.

Does R10 have any reactions they would want expressed at the meeting? We see no inherent reason not to support the concept, but we also know there is much debate now in OR concerning standards. EPA is not being asked for funds, but as a practical matter R10 staff would likely be taxed to be involved, in my opinion.

Happy to follow up more later.

Thanks. Bob

“The Freshwater Trust proposes a partnership between The Trust, USDA and EPA to apply new metrics to document the real reductions that result from USDA conservation incentive program investments. The Freshwater Trust will work with NRCS and EPA to prioritize, measure, track and report the reductions from USDA-funded projects in targeted watersheds, in the same quantified ecosystem units used by EPA to set water quality goals (e.g., kilocalories/day of energy or pounds of nitrogen).”

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